**III.    In the Specification:**

Please delete the title and replace it with the following title

"Rotary Vane Compressor With Interchangeable End Plates"

Please replace paragraph [0017] with the following amended paragraph

**[0017]**      The intermediate adapter member or front plate 20 is a flat, recessed and plate-like member that includes a compressor side or face 26 which is defined by a rear wall 27 that is secured by bolts such as 28 to the compressor housing.  The intermediate adapter member 20 also includes an end plate engaging surface such as 29.  The intermediate adapter member 20 further includes a collar-like arrangement 30 about the periphery of the intermediate member.  A centrally-positioned divider rib 32 is provided which is joined to the collar-like arrangement and separates the intermediate adapter member into an inlet section 34 and an outlet section 36. Within the inlet section, there is a fluid inlet opening 38 and within the outlet section there is a fluid outlet opening 40.  Peripheral securement points 42, 44, 46, and 48 are provided in association with the collar-like arrangement.  A central securement point 50 is provided in the divider rib.  Thus, the compressor or mechanism draws air through the inlet section 34 and opening 38 and expels compressed air through the outlet section 36 and opening 3840.

Please replace paragraph [0022] with the following amended paragraph

**[0022]**      An improved rotary vane compressor includes an elongated housing having a main part and two ends.  An inlet/outlet end plate member positioned at one end of the housing has an inlet port and an outlet port. The end plate member is one of a first type having ports constructed for tube-type connections and to receive a tube type conduit or a second type

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having an ports constructed for threaded type connections. ~~An intermediate~~ <u>Intermediate</u>

adapter member positioned between the housing and the end plate member, is secured to the

housing and adapted to receive an end plate member of either the first type or the second type.